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Dear Xavierite:

In choosing Xavier University of Louisiana for your college education, you have taken a great step towards realizing your future goals. As a Xavierite, you will become part of the University’s rich history and its traditions of academic excellence, service, and leadership. *The New York Times Selective Guide to Colleges* observed that “Xavier is a school where achievement has been the rule, and beating the odds against success a routine occurrence.”

To facilitate your college transition, Xavier University is implementing a **required** summer preview for admitted students from the Southern region which includes Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia, Florida, Tennessee, Arkansas, and Texas. **Lagniappe Weekend will be held Friday, May 22 and Saturday, May 23, 2015. Lagniappe check-in will be held 7:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. in the University Center.** Early check-in is reserved for students participating in the Placement Test, see the enclosed schedule.

“Lagniappe” offers you and your parents “a little something extra in New Orleans” as a preface to the extensive orientation experiences you will enjoy in the fall. Over the one-and-a-half day campus visit, you will get a glimpse into Xavier life and the opportunity to jump start a successful freshman year. Lagniappe Weekend features placement testing, housing information and roommate selection, departmental meetings with faculty and chairs, a general introduction to campus resources, and a peek at the city of New Orleans. Students who are required to take placement tests will be contacted by the Office of Admissions with more detailed information. Placement testing will be **Friday, May 23 at 8:00 a.m.** during Lagniappe Weekend. Please arrive no later than 7:30 a.m. to check-in at the University Center.

So come, get ahead, take advantage of summer courses, and meet other incoming freshmen who, like you, are new to the college experience. Get a taste of the fun and exciting aspects of campus life; learn from current Xavier students as they share their insights and offer support; engage with faculty, staff, and administrators who are all committed to your success. And last, take a peek into campus living, on-campus housing is available to students attending Lagniappe!

We encourage you to visit the Lagniappe website at [www.xula.edu/lagniappe](http://www.xula.edu/lagniappe) to register and for more information. The registration deadline to attend Lagniappe weekend is May 18, 2015 but why wait? Housing and space are limited so visit the Lagniappe website and register today! Please review the enclosed 2015 Lagniappe schedule.

Once again, welcome to Xavier and we look forward to seeing you soon. If you have any questions, please feel free to e-mail us at lagniappe@xula.edu or call us at (504) 520-5133 or 5466.